

## **Moran Statement on CMS Report**

### ***Report Confirms New Health Law***

### ***Fails to Reduce Costs***

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Congressman Jerry Moran issued the following statement today after the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) released its analysis of President Obama’s health care reform law. CMS’ study found that the new law will not reduce health care costs, but will increase national health care expenditures by at least \$311 billion by 2019.

“This sobering assessment of the new health care reform law confirms one of my biggest concerns of the plan from Day One – its failure to reduce health care costs,” said Moran. “It is extremely disappointing that this fiscally irresponsible plan was pushed into law, despite overwhelming evidence of its failure to reduce health costs. President Obama has given speech after speech highlighting the need to bend the cost curve down, yet this plan doesn’t match up to his rhetoric.”

“I am especially concerned with CMS’ warning that the Medicare cuts contained in the law are unrealistic and unsustainable. Our Kansas hospitals, doctors, and nurses rely on reimbursements from Medicare and these cuts will drive them into the red and jeopardize access to health care for Kansans,” said Moran. “The fact of the matter is that we don’t reduce health care costs by spending a trillion dollars and growing the government. History shows this doesn’t work and the data before us today shows that this isn’t going to work now. This report is yet another indication that this flawed plan should be repealed and replaced with true patient-centered reforms that will lower health costs for families.”